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EXTEND THE FREE LIST.

In San Diego, during the visit of the battleship fleet, all the places of public entertainment were thrown open to the enlisted men, and there was no charge to any sailor in uniform. The same might very well be adopted in Honolulu. It was suggested at the meeting of the sports committee yesterday that the management of the baseball park purposed charging the sailors the regular admission on Saturdays and Sundays. We feel that this is a mistake. The games at the ball park should be free to our visitors. The aquarium charge list ought to be taken down so far as the sailors are concerned, and whatever else there may be of a semi-public nature should be without price. In San Diego, even the theaters, of which there were five running, passed all sailors in uniform, and the wild west show, ostrich farm and all sporting events were without price to the visitors.

DETROIT'S CLAIM TO FAME.

Milwaukee's claim to fame is based on beer, Gotham talks in millions and claims the monetary rank of the universe, Buffalo has harnessed Niagara and calls upon the world to bear witness, Denver is the highest city, San Francisco swells up with the achievements of the past two years, and there is always sunshine in Honolulu; but the claim Detroit makes for the spot light is that she is preeminently "The City of Pills." Detroiters will tell you proudly that three-quarters of all the pills that are turned out in the world come from their shops. If this doesn't create the enthusiasm that the Detroiters think is necessary, he will supplement his information by quoting figures, putting the output of the pilleries at 6,000,000,000, a row of ciphers that looks more like a box of pills than anything else.

ENLIST THE SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Honolulu might well, at this particular time, when the necessity of making the city spick and span in readiness for the coming of the battleship fleet is being agitated, take a leaf out of the book of the city of Spokane and enlist the school children in the work.

Fifteen thousand school children there were organized by the City Beautiful Committee to devote Saturday, April 25, to the planting of trees, shrubs and flowering vines as a fitting climax to the annual cleaning week in that city. The plan was endorsed by Mayor C. Herbert Moore, E. C. Blazer, City Park Superintendent, and J. A. Torney, Superintendent of City Schools. The municipality furnished free of cost from its greenhouses the cuttings and slips required for beautifying the school grounds, while thousands of trees, shrubbery and vines were contributed by the residents of the city. Each participant planted at least one tree.

The committee had organized the Spokane Tree Planting Association with ten thousand certificated members among the children above the third grade in the public schools. Any pupil who promised to plant at least one tree or shrub a year was eligible to full membership, free of all cost. The certificates gave full instructions for taking up and transplanting trees and shrubs, while to defray the expense of forming the association special memberships were sold to adults at one dollar each.

During the last week of April Spokane furnished one of the most remarkable and at the same time wholesome spectacles ever witnessed in any city of the 100,000 class on the continent. More than 40,000 men, women and children devoted a day to cleaning the yards and vacant places in the city, besides planting trees and vines, and five hundred teams and wagons were required to haul the refuse to the score of dumping grounds provided by the city, while several hundred additional vehicles conveyed the garbage and the debris to the incinerators.

Many of the older boys in the high and grade schools were organized to assist in reporting places that required attention. Captains and lieutenants had charge of companies of boys and made tours of every block in the neighborhood, gathering reports of the progress in cleaning. The boys were supplied with blanks to make reports on the number of ash-piles, refuse-covered alleys, broken fences and sidewalks, and they did their work thoroughly and well. The zeal of the school children became infectious, and many who had given civic before only a passing thought were reminded of carelessness and began immediately to make up for their neglect.

Ren H. Rice, Chief of the Police Department, who assisted Mr. White in organizing the first cleaning day in 1906, says that the enthusiasm of the residents of Spokane was greater this spring than two years ago, when 20,000 men and women assisted in making Spokane spick and span. Everyone has been active in cleaning and beautifying the unsightly places in street, drives, alleys and yards, and today that city is as neat as the proverbial housewife's kitchen. The results accomplished were creditable to the city and reflected the activity and public spirit of the people in making Spokane the cleanest and best kept city on the continent. The planting of flowers was made a feature, one resident of the city contributing 20,000 packets of flower seeds.

Frederic J. Haskin, traveler and correspondent, who has visited practically every part of the United States and Canada and much of Europe and the Orient, was in Spokane during the height of the campaign on his way from Japan to Washington, D. C. He said of the cleaning day idea:

"The Spokane plan has everything to commend it, and its adoption by every town and city on the continent should be universal. Every man takes the same pride in the cleanliness of the city that he has in the appearance of his house and yard. This yearly assembling of the people of the city for a day of house-cleaning and united effort for the beautification of the city is bound to be far-reaching in its effect. It will keep alive the interest of every resident in the great work throughout the entire year.

"One of the big results of the work is the reduction of the death rate, which already is very low in this part of the Northwest, and it will go far toward depopulating hospitals. It is certain to spread abroad the fame of Spokane, and it means increases in the valuation of properties and added wealth, to say nothing of attracting population and capital. This, it would appear to me, is only one of the many reforms for which the cities and towns in the Eastern and Southern States are indebted to the great Northwest, where people do things. It is a great work, and should be encouraged everywhere."

The sooner the financial limit of the entertainment of the fleet is arrived at and the various committees know what they are to receive for their share the better. It is when the curtailments have to be made and the desires of the various committees balanced up against the money in sight that the trouble, if there is to be any, will start. The sooner that is over with the better. The experiences of the Coast towns is that each committee considers its work of surpassing importance, which is well for the fact that it keeps each worker up in the collar, but bad in that few are satisfied with the distribution of the funds. Honolulu may rise superior to such bickerings, but in any event have them over with and forgotten before the ships come.

The behavior of the visiting bluejackets ashore yesterday was admirable. Five hundred of them, from the ships of two nations, took possession of the main streets with horse and bicycle, and, although there were few expert riders, all seemed willing to dare anything, and there were no accidents, no cases where any police interference was necessary, and no riotousness. The boys grinned cheerfully at their own and each others' misfortunes in colliding with hacks and telephone poles, and in nowise seemed to resent the grins that their various stunts evoked from the many who watched them from the safety of the sidewalk.

Democracy, evidently, prefers to blush unseen on Oahu. The first primary elections for the campaign will be held this afternoon, but so far there has been no list of polling places published, in spite of the fact that this paper has made repeated requests to be furnished with such a list. The Democrats themselves may know where they will have to go to vote, but the knowledge has been kept very much to themselves.

*The crew of the yacht Hawaii decided when off Diamond Head on their initial cruise with their racing machine that they would throw up the idea of going to the Coast. Along with this they threw everything else up.

DEATH HAS TAKEN MANUEL MACHADO

For the second time in two days death has selected his victim from among the employees of the Gazette company, Manuel Machado, who has been with that company for the past ten years, dying yesterday at his home in Kalihi. He was a faithful and hard working man and much liked by his fellow workmen and employers. He was also an expert in his line, having had charge of the ruling department in the Gazette bookbinding for some



The Late Manuel Machado.

time, his work being that of a master of the craft.

The deceased was thirty-one years old and leaves a wife and four small children. He has been sick for some time, having recently gone to Kona for a change of climate. There he developed quick consumption and returned home to die. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Foresters and of the San Antonio society and carried a small life insurance.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, leaving his late home at four o'clock for the Roman Catholic cathedral, where the funeral services will be held. The members of the Forester's lodge and the San Antonio society will gather at the cathedral and will escort the body to the last resting place in the Roman Catholic cemetery on King street.

INTERESTING SERVICES IN METHODIST CHURCH

An interesting service was held in the First Methodist Episcopal church, on Beretania avenue, yesterday morning. The interior of the church was decorated with potted plants and cut flowers, nicely arranged to give the place a home-like appearance.

The music by the choir and congregation consisted of the good, old-fashioned hymns of the church, calculated to encourage the uniting of all voices in prayer and praise. Miss Waddington rendered the sweet solo, "The Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," in her usual pleasing manner and style.

Instead of the regular morning sermon, the pastor delivered an address on the history, policy and doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church, which was received with much interest and appreciation. At the close of the address fourteen persons presented themselves and were received as members.

Evidently this forward movement is but the beginning of a new era in the history of Honolulu Methodism. Since the appointment of a regular pastor last September, and the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Crane, the members of the local church have felt much encouraged, and in the several auxiliary societies, as well as among individuals, a spirit of progressiveness has been manifest. It is the purpose of the pastor and people together to make of the First Church a working as well as a worshipping institution.

UNCLAIMED LETTER LIST

Letters remaining unclaimed for in the general delivery for the week ending May 2, 1908:

Alvor, Francis	Manibo, J. A.
Lord	Meyers, H.
Allen, George L.	Marklewitch,
Babbitt, David	Louis
Baker, Capt Frank	Minger, Geo Roy
C	Moore, Dr E O
Bray, Lilly	Page, G B
Button, Mrs	Patterson, William
Roswell S	Pearam, Mrs Mattie
Cartwright, Walter	(2)
H	Petterson, Mrs C
Corney, Miss Katie	(2)
Davis, Mrs Mary	Record, Mrs Plehu
Edward, Joe	Sam, Mr
Fisher, Mamie	Showell, R. J. Jr
Foster, Enos	Shand, James B
Hall, Chas F	Smith, Mrs Louisa
Hall, W H	Swinnert, O S
Henry, Benjamin	Taylor, John H
Hopkins, Mrs	Wilson, Judge
Annie	Adair
Hose, Moses	Williams, Miss
Irvine, T H	Daisy
Jacobs, Miss S M	Wikander, Mrs
Jarrett, Miss	J F
Emma	Wond, Miss Mabel
Jayne, Lieut J L	Young, Mrs A S
Jones, Mrs Annie	Young, Robert H
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